## LAPORTE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ORDINANCE NO. 2021- \3

## ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING THE LAPORTE COUNTY ZONING ORDINANCE, LAND USAGE, AS AMENDED, TO ADOPT SECTION 14.15 SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEMS

WHEREAS, advances in solar energy technology have made this alternative form of energy available in more parts of the Country and to more people of economic means;

**WHEREAS**, because the Joint Zoning Ordinance Amended for La Porte County does not fully and properly address solar energy;

WHEREAS, this ordinance is necessary to create reasonable regulations to make this use compatible and harmonious with all of La Porte County, Indiana, especially its agricultural uses; and

WHEREAS, actions made by the La Porte County Advisory Plan Commission over the past year to support, encourage, and promote solar and other economic development, including this ordinance, will allow La Porte County, Indiana, to achieve SolSmart Gold Status, letting installers and residents across the country know that La Porte County is the highest level of solar friendliness.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Board of Commissioners of the County of LaPorte, State of Indiana, on this 6<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2021.

Joseph Haney, Vice President

Sheila Matias, Commissioner

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EXAMINED AND APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF LA PORTE, INDIANA

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